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Director
Central Intelligence Agency
Langley, VA 23665

Dear Mr. Director:

It is my understanding that, in the 1950's, and at least into the 1960's, it was a common practice at the CIA to hire key personnel, after retirement, to write memoirs of their years with the Agency. These then were deposited in the Agency's archives to be part of a future historical record.

I am currently engaged in research on the Bay of Pigs case, and its precedent (Guatemala, 1954). Under the Freedom of Information Act, I would like to receive copies of agent memoirs dealing with these historical events. Specifically, memoirs and equivalent after-action reports by David Phillips. Richard Bissell, E. A. Esterlin, Howard Hunt, General Charles Cabell, Frank Wisner, Col. Jack Hawkins, "Rip" Robertson, Grayston Lynch, and Gerry Droller are among those for which I wish to apply, along with a listing of other pertinent reports dealing with the two events.

Yours sincerely,

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I would like to have a call from your
staff before search for recall etc.
Thank you.

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